

Postgraduate Diploma in Economic Development and Social Integration – SH 543

1. Objectives

The programme is designed to provide an in depth examination of a range of approaches to development , including local development, community development, economic development, co-operatives and other social economy initiatives and their respective roles in constructing sustainable communities and alleviating poverty, social exclusion and vulnerability. This course aims at developing local resilience and effective local solutions to concerns pertaining to communities. The postgraduate diploma will also use case studies, and invite guest speakers in the field to expose students to both theories related to economic and social integration and the applications of the learnt concepts.

2. General Entry Requirements

In accordance with the University General Entry Requirements for admission to Postgraduate Diploma Programmes.

3. Programme Requirements

Applicants are expected to have an undergraduate degree with at least a Second Class or 50%, whichever is applicable, from a recognized higher education institution, or alternative qualifications acceptable to the University of Mauritius.

4. Programme Duration

	Normal	Maximum
Postgraduate Diploma	2 years	4 years

5. Minimum Credits Required for Degree Award – 30

Credits from		
Core Taught Modules	Project	Electives
21	6	3

Modules	Credits
Core	
Economics	12
Social Studies	6
Social Policy	3
Project	6
Electives	3
Total	30

6. Credits per Semester

Minimum 3 credits, Maximum 24 credits, subject to regulation 4.

7. Assessment

Each module will be assessed over 100 marks with details as follows (unless otherwise specified):

Assessment will be based on a written examination of 2 to 3 hour duration (normally a paper of 2 hour duration for modules carrying less or equal to three credits and 3 hour paper for modules carrying six credits and on continuous assessment done during the semester or year.

Written examinations for all modules, except for DE modules and some semester modules, whether taught in semester 1 or in semester 2 or both, will be carried out at the end of the academic year (unless stated otherwise).

The continuous assessment will count for 30% to 40% of the overall percentage mark of the module (s). Continuous assessment may be based on seminars and/or assignments and should include at least two (2) assignments/tests per module. There will be a compulsory class test for all modules taught in semester 1 at the end of semester 1 of the given academic year unless stated otherwise in the Programme Structure.

An overall total of 40% for combined continuous assessment and written examination components would be required to pass the module, without minimum thresholds within the individual continuous assessment and written examination. The same criterion will apply for modules being assessed jointly. Note that all overall mark for the two modules will be considered and not the individual marks for each of the two modules.

8. Submission Deadline for Project

Final copy: To be submitted on the last working day of August of the academic year.

9. List of Modules

Code CORE	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	Credits
ECON 5105	Economic Development for Social Integration	3+0	3
SCPL 5101	Poverty, Social Policy and Social Protection	3+0	3
SOCI 5201	Gender Analysis and Gender Mainstreaming	3+0	3
ECON 5205	Project Evaluation and Management	3+0	3
ECON 5101	Applied Research Methods	3+0	3
ECON 6101	Strategies for Development and Social Integration	3+0	3
SOCI 6101	Participatory Local Development	3+0	3
ECON 6000	Project	-	6
<u>ELECTIVES</u>			
ECON 6204	Governance and Civil Society	3+0	3
SOCI 6201	Sustainable Livelihood and Pro-Poor Change	3+0	3
ECON6102	Financing Social Protection	3+0	3

Offering of electives would be subject to the availability of resources and critical mass.
The department reserves the right to offer additional electives

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YEAR 1

Code CORE	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	Credits
ECON 5105	Economic Development for Social Integration ¹	3+0	3
SCPL 5101	Poverty, Social Policy and Social Protection ¹	3+0	3
SOCI 5201	Gender Analysis and Gender Mainstreaming ²	3+0	3
ECON 5205	Project Evaluation and Management ¹	3+0	3
ECON 5101	Applied Research Methods ²	3+0	3

YEAR 2

Code CORE	Module Name	Hrs/Wk L+P	Credits
ECON 6101	Strategies for Development and Social Integration ¹	3+0	3
SOCI 6101	Participatory Local Development ¹	3+0	3
ECON 6000	Project	-	6
<u>Electives: Choose ONE from:</u>			
ECON 6204	Governance and Civil Society ²	3+0	3
SOCI 6201	Sustainable Livelihood and Pro-Poor Change ²		
ECON 6102	Financing Social Protection ²	3+0	3

Note: (1)¹ – Offered in Semester 1; ² – Offered in Semester 2

(2) – Some modules will be taught by resource persons from other relevant units of the Faculty of Social Studies and Humanities.